

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	10/500,334
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First Named Inventor	Mitsuru MAEDA et al.
Art Unit	1623
Examiner	Traviss C. McIntosh, III
Attorney Docket No.	47233-0042-00-US (218238)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Previously submitted June 29, 2007. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
i.		Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
ii.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Enclosed
i.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amendment/Reply
iii.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
ii.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
iv.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

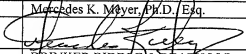
2. Miscellaneous

a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.
i.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
ii.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
iii.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
c.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Payment by credit card (via electronic filing)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

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